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part, to comply with the quarantine and regulations of this subpart.

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**§ 318.58-9 Inspection of means of conveyance.**

(a) *Inspection of aircraft prior to departure.* No person shall move any aircraft from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to any other State, District, or Territory of the United States, except Guam, unless the person moving the aircraft has contacted an inspector and offered the inspector the opportunity to inspect the aircraft prior to departure and the inspector has informed the person proposing to move the aircraft that the aircraft may depart.

(b) *Inspection of aircraft moving to Guam.* Any person who has moved an aircraft from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to Guam shall contact an inspector and offer the inspector the opportunity to inspect the aircraft upon the aircraft's arrival in Guam, unless the aircraft has been inspected and cleared in Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands prior to departure in accordance with arrangements between the operator of the aircraft, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, and the government of Guam.

(c) *Inspection of ships upon arrival.* Any person who has moved a ship or other ocean-going craft from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to any other State, District, or Territory of the United States shall contact an inspector and offer the inspector the opportunity to inspect the ship or other ocean-going craft upon its arrival.

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**§ 318.58-10 Inspection of baggage, other personal effects, and cargo.**

(a) *Offer for inspection by aircraft passengers.* Passengers destined for movement by aircraft from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to any other State, Territory, or District of the United States, except Guam, shall offer their carry-on baggage and other personal effects for inspection at the place marked for agricultural inspections, which will be lo-

cated at the airport security checkpoint or the aircraft boarding gate, at the time they pass through the checkpoint or the gate. Passengers shall offer their check-in baggage for inspection at agricultural inspection stations prior to submitting their baggage to the check-in baggage facility. When an inspector has inspected and passed such baggage or personal effects, he or she shall apply a USDA stamp, inspection sticker, or other identification to the baggage or personal effects to indicate that the baggage or personal effects have been inspected and passed as required. Passengers shall disclose any fruits, vegetables, plants, plant products, or other articles that are requested to be disclosed by the inspector. When an inspection of a passenger's baggage or personal effects discloses an article in violation of the regulations in this part, the inspector shall seize the article. The passenger shall state his or her name and address to the inspector, and provide the inspector with corroborative identification. The inspector shall record the name and address of the passenger, the nature of the identification presented for corroboration, the nature of the violation, the types of articles involved, and the date, time, and place of the violation.

(b) *Offer for inspection by aircraft crew.* Aircraft crew members destined for movement by aircraft from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to any other State, Territory, or District of the United States, except Guam, shall offer their baggage and personal effects for inspection at the inspection station designated for the employing airline not less than 20 minutes prior to the scheduled departure time of the aircraft or the rescheduled departure time as posted in the public areas of the airport. When an inspector has inspected and passed such baggage or personal effects, he or she shall apply a USDA stamp, inspection sticker, or other identification to the baggage or personal effects to indicate that such baggage or personal effects have been inspected and passed as required. Aircraft crew members shall disclose any fruits, vegetables, plants, plant products, or other articles that

are requested to be disclosed by the inspector. When an inspection of a crew member's baggage or personal effects discloses an article in violation of the regulations in this part, the inspector shall seize the article. The crew member shall state his or her name and address to the inspector, and provide the inspector with corroborative identification. The inspector shall record the name and address of the crew member, the nature of the identification presented for corroboration, the nature of the violation, the types of articles involved, and the date, time, and place of the violation.

(c) *Baggage inspection for persons traveling to Guam on aircraft.* No person who has moved from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to Guam on an aircraft shall remove or attempt to remove any baggage or other personal effects from the area secured for customs inspections before the person has offered to an inspector, and had passed by the inspector, his or her baggage and other personal effects. Persons shall disclose any fruits, vegetables, plants, plant products, or other articles that are requested to be disclosed by the inspector. When an inspection of a person's baggage or personal effects discloses an article in violation of the regulations in this part, the inspector shall seize the article. The person shall state his or her name and address to the inspector, and provide the inspector with corroborative identification. The inspector shall record the name and address of the person, the nature of the identification presented for corroboration, the nature of the violation, the types of articles involved, and the date, time, and place of the violation.

(d) *Baggage accepting and loading on aircraft.* No person shall accept or load any check-in aircraft baggage destined for movement from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to any other State, Territory, or District of the United States, except Guam, unless a certificate is attached to the baggage, or the baggage bears a USDA stamp, inspection sticker, or other indication applied by an inspector representing that the baggage has been offered for inspection and passed by an inspector.

(e) *Offer for inspection by persons moving by ship.* No person who has moved on any ship or other ocean-going craft from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to any other State, Territory, or District of the United States shall remove or attempt to remove any baggage or other personal effects from a designated inspection area as provided in §318.58-10(h), on or off the ship or other ocean-going craft unless the person has offered to an inspector for inspection, and has passed by the inspector, the baggage and other personal effects. Persons shall disclose any fruits, vegetables, plants, plant products, or other articles that are requested to be disclosed by the inspector. When an inspection of a person's baggage or personal effects discloses an article in violation of the regulations in this part, the inspector shall seize the article. The person shall state his or her name and address to the inspector, and provide the inspector with corroborative identification. The inspector shall record the name and address of the person, the nature of the identification presented for corroboration, the nature of the violation, the types of articles involved, and the date, time, and place of the violation.

(f) *Loading of certain cargoes.* (1) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (f)(2) of this section, no person shall present to any common carrier or contract carrier for movement, and no common carrier or contract carrier shall load, any cargo containing fruits, vegetables, or other articles regulated under this subpart that are destined for movement from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to any other State, Territory, or District of the United States, except Guam, unless the cargo has been offered for inspection, passed by an inspector, and bears of USDA stamp or USDA inspection sticker, or unless a certificate or limited permit is attached to the cargo as specified in §318.58-3(d).

(2) Cargo designated in paragraph (f)(1) of this section may be loaded without a USDA stamp or USDA inspection sticker, and without a certificate attached to the cargo or a limited permit attached to the cargo, if the cargo is moved:

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(i) As containerized cargo on ships or other ocean-going craft or as air cargo;

(ii) The carrier has on file documentary evidence that a valid certificate or limited permit was issued for the movement; and

(iii) A notation of the existence of these documents is made by the carrier on the waybill, manifest, or bill of lading that accompanies the shipment.

(3) Cargo moved in accordance with § 318.58-12 of this subpart that does not have a limited permit attached to the cargo must have a limited permit attached to the waybill, manifest, or bill of lading accompanying the shipment.

(g) *Removal of certain cargoes in Guam.* No person shall remove or attempt to remove from a designated inspection area as provided in § 318.58-10(h), on or off the means of conveyance, any cargo moved from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States to Guam containing fruits, vegetables, or other articles regulated under this subpart, unless the cargo has been inspected and passed by an inspector in Guam.

(h) *Space and facilities for baggage inspection.* Baggage inspection will not be performed until the person in charge or possession of the ship, other ocean-going craft, or aircraft provides space and facilities on the means of conveyance, pier or airport that are adequate, in the inspector's judgment, for the performance of inspections.

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**§ 318.58-11 Disinfection of means of conveyance.**

If an inspector, through an inspection pursuant to this subpart, finds that a means of conveyance is infested with or contains any plant pest, and the inspector orders disinfection of the means of conveyance, then the person in charge or in possession of the means of conveyance shall disinfect the means of conveyance and its cargo, in accordance with an approved method contained in the Plant Protection and Quarantine Treatment Manual under the supervision of an inspector and in a manner prescribed by the inspector, prior to any movement of the means of conveyance or its cargo. The Plant Protection and Quarantine Treatment

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Manual is incorporated by reference at § 300.1 of this chapter.

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**§ 318.58-12 Transit of fruits and vegetables from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands of the United States into or through the continental United States.**

Fruits and vegetables from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands of the United States that are otherwise prohibited movement from those territories into or through the continental United States by this subpart may transit the continental United States en route to a foreign destination when moved in accordance with this section and any other applicable provisions of this subpart. Any additional restrictions on such movement that would otherwise be imposed by part 301 of this chapter and §§ 318.30 and 318.30a of this part shall not apply.

(a) *Transit permit.* (1) A transit permit is required for the arrival, unloading, and movement into or through the continental United States of fruits and vegetables otherwise prohibited by this subpart from being moved into or through the continental United States from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States. Application for a transit permit must be made in writing.<sup>2</sup> The transit permit application must include the following information:

(i) The specific types of fruits and vegetables to be shipped (only scientific or English names are acceptable);

(ii) The means of conveyance to be used to transport the fruits and vegetables into or through the continental United States;

(iii) The port of arrival in the continental United States, and the location of any subsequent stop;

(iv) The location of, and the time needed for, any storage in the continental United States;

<sup>2</sup> Applications for transit permits should be submitted to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine, Port Operations, Permit Unit, 4700 River Road Unit 136, Riverdale, Maryland 20737-1236.